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## Rebekahs and Oddfellows Honor Departing Members

CROSSFIELD—Billy McCrimmon, P.N.G. of IOOF 42, and Margaret McCrimmon, P.D.D.P. of the Rebekahs (Jutte 69), were honored at a farewell party. Ten tables of 500 were in play on Aug. 24 in the Masonic Hall at 8:30 p.m.

A little sociability was enjoyed in friendly visits around the hall 'till they were called to the "500" tables, where more fun was created with strenuous bids and sets. Top honors went to Mr. Lorie and Mrs. B. Lilley; consolation to Mrs. Edgar and Bert Lilley. A presentation of a silver purse, with the lodge's good wishes, was made to the honored couple, who suitably responded. A. Bailey made the presentation. A delicious lunch was served at midnight.

## MADDEN MURMURS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Hallett in Calgary Hospital, Saturday, Aug. 18, twin daughters.

Miss Isobel Leask left Aug. 21 by plane for Vancouver, where she will take a nine-day trip to Alaska.

We are glad to report little Donnie, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Aaskov, is home from hospital and progressing favorably after accidentally drinking kerosene.

Mrs. George Leask and children spent several days visiting her mother's home in London.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Elliot have as their guests the former's sister from Turner Valley.

Miss Jean and Joyce Kowal spent one week visiting relatives in Winnipeg.

## Farewell For Club Members Held

CROSSFIELD — The Tan-y-Bryn residents were instrumental in having a gathering in the school house on Wednesday, Aug. 22, at 8:30 p.m. to honor the W. McCrimmon family with a farewell party. Over 40 friends were present from the district to enjoy the game of "500".

The prizes were distributed as follows: firsts, to Mrs. Dorie Casey and Frank Ruddy; seconds, to Mrs. Ed. Donald and Lea Ableman.

A purse of silver was presented to Mr. and Mrs. McCrimmon who will be greatly missed, having resided here since the turn of the century. Suitable thanks was voiced by the honored couple.

## DOG POUND NEWS NOTES

The August meeting of the Dog Pound Blue Birds was held at the home of Mrs. J. C. Jack, with fourteen members and two visitors present. It was decided to postpone the September meeting as the ladies expect to be busy at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Cook and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McArthur and family, Mr. and Mrs. Judd, Mr. and Mrs. Bush and family, Mr. and Mrs. P. Stone have returned from holidays in Banff and several points of interest through the Western States and British Columbia.

Robert Stone had the misfortune to cut his foot with an axe. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nelson of Nova Scotia, and Mrs. Stanley Nelson of Calgary, were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoffman.

Mrs. Eddie is visiting at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy McArthur.

## Local Girls Prepare For Toronto Trip

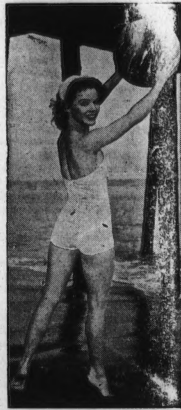
CROSSFIELD—Two local girls, Marjorie Banta and Joanne Copely, have spent the past week in travel visits to Edmonton, Calgary and Lacombe, where horticultural shows have been in progress. In each case the district leader, Miss Mewha, accompanied the girls.

At each point they were asked to participate in the judging and clerking of vegetables and flowers, all of which is preparatory for their trip to Toronto, won for general proficiency in horticulture in garden classes.

The girls of the Happy Gang Garden Club members accompanied them on the Lacombe trip, and while the two girls were clerking and judging, took an inspection tour of the Experimental Farm.

The girls feel that already these tours have given them more self-confidence, more experience and deeper knowledge, not forgetting the pleasant social contacts they have made in their instructive educational trips. We hope they have good, keen competition with favorable results in Toronto in the early fall.

Miss Barbara Bills, daughter of the local Happy Gang Garden Club leader, accompanied the two girls to Lacombe.



SALLY FORREST displays her neat form on the beach of the peaceful Pacific, which the Hollywood starlets say is a wonderful place for a girl to keep in trim. Her next movie is "The Strip," which refers to the night club belt in Hollywood.

## Old-Time Crossfield Resident Dies

CROSSFIELD — We are sorry to report the death of Mr. Van Lare, old timer of Tan-y-Bryn district and who lived with his daughter Cora and son Bill at Acme at the time of his passing. He was buried in Carstairs cemetery on Saturday, Aug. 25, at 2 p.m.

Attending the funeral of Mr. Van Lare was a very good representation from the Tan-y-Bryn district where the deceased had lived for so many years and a number of people from Calgary. The pallbearers were Marshal Stearns, Carstairs; Mac Ferguson, Carstairs; Jim Wylie, Ed Donald, Chris Christianson and Frank Ruddy, all of Crossfield.

## Midway Games In Vancouver Closed

VANCOUVER, B.C.—(RUP)—Plainclothesmen from the Vancouver police gambling squad moved into the midway at the Pacific National Exhibition here and closed down three games.

In addition, the detectives warned 50 concession operators that if they continued to pay off patrons in cash, instead of merchandise, they would do so at their own risk.

The games shut down were two dice games, and a coin table. Assistant city prosecutor Stewart McMorran commented that the three games closed were "strictly illegal."

Business was almost at a standstill at most concession booths. The operators were leaning on elbows, talking back and forth because they had little else to do.

## Huge Crater Caused By Meteorite

TORONTO — (RUP) — The scientific party which has been investigating a huge crater in the Ungava region of northern Quebec reports that it was caused by a gigantic meteorite.

Spokesman for the group says a magnetic body lies beneath the crater proving the meteor theory is correct.

The scientists returned to Toronto after a month-long investigation.

## CROSSFIELD AND DISTRICT NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bannister and Neil and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Bannister and daughter have returned from a week's holiday at Cour-de-le-ne, U.S.A.

Mrs. John Lennon has been renewing acquaintances in town for the past week.

Mrs. Bottomley and son, Paul,

are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lilley.

Miss Cilla Bottomley, who is nursing at the "San" in Calgary, spent a short leave with her sister, Pat Lilley.

Mrs. Bill Morrison, who has recently been hospitalized, is back in Crossfield again and in much better health.

The leaders and members of the Happy Garden were pleased to have the support of many interested mothers, who made the Garden tour with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilson have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. E. Hon ysett and Jimmie, and Mr. Gordon Winter, all from Westminister, B.C. All came on Tuesday last and are enjoying a pleasant family reunion. Mr. Honeysett is Mrs. Wilson's brother.

Miss Maggie High, sister of Mrs. Sam Flemming, has visited at the latter's home for the past week and, being a very old timer of the Sunshine district, was pleased to renew acquaintances all round. Mrs. Marshall, who will be remembered years ago at the Shorty Nier ranch, was renewing acquaintances together with Miss High at the Murdoch sale on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Steele have as their guest the former's sister, who flew from Toronto to enjoy a trip in the w.e.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Poynter, of Calmar, together with their twin sons, Brent and Allan, spent a few days visiting at the home of Mrs. Walter Lilley, sister of Mrs. Poynter, before returning to Calmar last Saturday.

Mrs. "Dodi" Butler spent a few days visiting her mother, Mrs. Eileen Bills.

Mrs. Tom Borbridge, who has been a patient in the Holy Cross Hospital for the past six weeks, and who is making favorable progress, was overjoyed at having near friends and relatives visit her on her birthday Aug. 23. Mr. Borbridge spent a few days back in Crossfield, since his wife's improvement.

Frank Thompson and Lawrence Lilley spent Friday in Lacombe when the former visited his parents.

Mr. Beatty of Claresholm has purchased the Murdoch farm home one-half mile west of Crossfield for his son, who at present is in Calgary. There was a good crowd at the sale on Aug. 22, and Mr. Murdoch seemed very pleased with the returns for the day.



THE GREATEST man-hunt in history of Bruce peninsula, Ont., came to a happy ending when six-year-old Vincent Sorrente of Windsor, was found by four men after a 26-hour search in which 500 persons participated. Child, seen with father, was found exhausted hungry but unharmed.



TREASURED gold watch of Charles Wale, right, of Hopeville, Ont., lost while plowing in a field owned by John Haw, left, in 1901, was found recently by 12-year-old Alex Henderson, centre. Lying in same field the watch, although rusted, was still intact, number readable and hands still attached.



## EDITORIAL PAGE

### Warning to Drinkers

How often have you seen drinkers leave the beer parlor and step into the car outside the door and drive away? How many innocent victims have you read about in the past few years—victims of drinking drivers?

For a long time the sage words of advice have been "If you drink, don't drive; if you drive, don't drink." The wise drinker does not drive his car or truck immediately after drinking. He either drinks when he is through driving or has a non-drinker to drive his party and himself after drinking.

Until now, only a drunken person could be indicted for exceeding the law by driving after drinking. But what constitutes drunkenness? Some can "hold their liquor" better than others. Medical men say that even one drink can so lower a driver's efficiency and good judgment as to constitute a hazard on the road.

In future, any driver involved in a court case will be subjected to the question: Were you or were you not drinking prior to the accident? That is, immediate enough to the time involved to affect his driving. If so—\$50.00 fine first offense; two weeks in jail for the second; three months in jail for the third offense.

"If you drink, don't drive".

### Mr. Ivanchuk And His Fish

In the modern Utopia, which is Socialist Saskatchewan, lives John Ivanchuk, a northern lake fisherman with 46 nets, and a boat with motor. Like other fishermen in Canada Mr. Ivanchuk is subject to rules and regulations designed to protect his industry. Unlike other fishermen in other parts of Canada, John is beset with numerous marketing regulations imposed by the C.C.F. Saskatchewan Government.

For violating one of these government rules, Mr. Ivanchuk's fishing gear, together with 1600 pounds of fish, were seized by a Government agent, and without any effort to give John a trial, held for 46 days. We trust the fish were kept under refrigeration for the 46 days or they might have made a stink as offensive as this case generally is to Canadians and our concept of freedom and justice.

For five weeks Mr. Ivanchuk's means of livelihood was taken away from him. As the Calgary Albertan says: "No charges were ever laid." There was no search warrant. The Government scoffs at the idea of compensation.

This sort of thing happens in Russia and Communist dominated countries. Surprised that it happens in Canada?

### The Region Needs Religion

The news from Hongkong, China, is that large groups of Protestant missionaries have applied to the authorities in Red China for permission to leave the country due to the fact that American property has been seized, bank deposits frozen and there is an increasingly hostile attitude toward Western missionaries in general.

We think the missionaries are showing good sense but, at the same time, we doubt that there is an area in the world more in need of the principles that the missionaries represent.

### Note and Comment

When the average factory worker in the United States eats his breakfast before his eight-hour shift it will take him only 9 minutes and 45 seconds to pay for it—2 slices of toast, 2 slices of bacon, a potato, 2 eggs and a glass of milk. His father in 1914 had to spend 32 minutes and 48 seconds at the factory to secure the same hearty meal.

While figures for Canada are not available, the Canadian Federation of Agriculture points out that this statement applies equally in Canada as in the United States.

Ronald Levang of the Edberg district narrowly escaped serious injury last week when the tractor he was driving overturned, coming to rest with all four wheels in the air. He managed to jump to safety and received only minor bruises.

Many farmers, however, are not so fortunate, and during the last two weeks of July at least four deaths occurred in tractor accidents in Alberta.

## A Soldier Returns To Re-Married Wife

By T. W. PUE

Out of the 1941-45 war with Japan, comes a delayed action human bomb. A last-ditch hold-out Japanese soldier came back from the dead.

In the farming village of Hatakeyama, where he was born and raised, Shinichi Kodaka, soldier of Japan, was, until recently, dead. His "ashes" shipped home from a battlefield in the remote Marianas, had been interred in the family burial plot; his dutiful wife, Mume, who had borne him four children, had given herself, according to custom and tradition, to Shinichi's younger brother, Shiroshi. The war had been over nearly six years and Mume and the children—there was now a fifth child—had left the small family farm to live in town, where Shiroshi was employed as a rubber boot salesman.



T. W. PUE

Then Shinichi, now 40, came home from the war.

There was nothing supernatural about his return from the grave. The sturdy, bespectacled veteran just happened to be one of 19 Jap warriors who held out until last June 30 on the Island of Anatanan, in the Marianas, refusing to believe the war was over. The Navy finally persuaded them to give up by dropping letters and snapshots from relatives in Japan, setting forth the facts.

Nor was Shinichi the only Enoch Arden in the lot. Four others discovered that their wives had remarried in their absence. But Shinichi was the only one who found his wife had submitted to tradition and married her brother-in-law.

Twenty-nine-year-old Shiroshi, after a bout with his conscience, decided to give up his (or Shinichi's—legally the point hasn't been settled) 39-year-old wife. For one thing, four of the children were Shinichi's. And then, Shiroshi explained, "My brother deserves a new chance after all those years on the island."

This was all right by Shinichi. He agreed to adopt as his own the nephew Mume had borne.

Now Shiroshi, freed of family cares, is discovering what he missed all those years when he had a wife and children. From all over Japan he has been getting letters like this one from a young girl.

"The moment I saw you in the newsreel you became my dearest man. I must devote my whole life to you."

At the moment, he's in no hurry to get married again. Sometime, Shiroshi says, he'll choose—"the best letter in the pile."

Nobody asked Mume, who dutifully followed Shinichi back to the farm, how she felt about it all. But the agony column of a Tokyo newspaper, where, even in Japan, love transcends family considerations, has heard from her. Plaintively, Mume wrote:

"I have been sorriest of all for the way things turned out."

### William Randolph Hearst

(From Calgary Albertan)

William Randolph Hearst, in influence, wealth and scope of operations, was probably the No. 1 newspaper publisher in the world. By material standards he was probably the most successful. But he wasn't the best.

His vast newspaper properties were indeed an empire, and he was the emperor in much more than name. His slightest whims, right up to the time of his death, were immediately translated into fanatical crusades from one end of the United States to the other. There was no independence in his chain. Each paper was his personal tool.

Hearst was a keen disciple of "yellow journalism," and his mastery of it contributed to his success. He pandered to the tastes of the least intelligent and most unstable and unreasonable of his readers. It is a reflection on the public, more than on him, that there should have been such overwhelming response.

Nevertheless he was a good craftsman, if establishing, reorganizing and promoting newspapers can be called a craft. Apart from some of his outlandish editorial notions and his "yellow" publishing tactics, he helped to improve the pace if not the standard of journalism in his country. There was no sloppy or indifferent news-gathering on his papers. He provided his readers with more news than they could find in most other papers, and that, it should be admitted, may have accounted for his success more than anything else.

And Nothing Can Be Done About It.: BY E. T. WEBSTER



## Voice of the People

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### FOR MAIL IN THE MORN

Dear Sir—If we must receive our mail only once a day, can't we at least get it early? We're lucky now if we get it by 1 p.m. Why not make that one delivery at 8 a.m.?

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Edmonton.

### BUSYBODIES

Dear Sir—Surely Uncle Sam has enough dirty linen of his own to wash, without trying to do Canada's also. Minding one's own business is something the U.S. need badly to learn, and their diplomacy is somewhat amateurish.

Senator McCarthy and his like are personal non gratae with all free thinking people, and the Senate of our neighbors should be told bluntly to mind their own damn business.

Edmonton.

### WAR PENSIONS

Dear Sir—The cost-of-living index is now 187, but the recipients of pensions and War Veterans' Allowance are still on the same basis rate without any increase in either pensions or allowances.

A single man getting a War Veterans Allowance receives a basic of \$40.43, and a married man gets a basic of \$70.83 a month.

Nothing can justify the lack of government action in respect to the class of people who are now suffering and for whom no steps have been taken to keep their living conditions on a level of what they were even in 1945.

GEORGE E. GLEAVE,  
President, Alberta Legion.  
Edmonton.

### DIVORCE

Dear Sir—Talking about divorce in parliament, which was mentioned recently in a column in your paper by T. W. Pue.

What does God say about it? Get out your King James bible and turn to Romans 1:2-3 for "the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband as long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband, but if her husband liveth, and she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress."

MRS. M. WATSON.  
Morris, Alberta.

### BANK CLOSING

Dear Sir—I don't agree with your editorial saying banks should close on Saturdays, and stay open only five days a week.

As a matter of fact, banks should be open more hours than they are.

There are a lot of robberies caused by the fact that storekeepers have to leave their money in their shops because the banks aren't open to accept deposits. At least one bank in Edmonton should be open 24-hours a day.

SHOP-KEEPER.

Edmonton.

### SINATRA DISGUSTS HIM

Dear Sir—I feel certain that the numerous press releases regarding the current amorous pursuits of one Frank Sinatra must offend the decency of many readers. I'm glad to note there's been nothing in your paper about him, as to assume that the general public is interested in the love life of a crooner is an affront to our intelligence.

Edmonton.

DISGUSTED.

### LOOKING BACKWARD

Dear Sir—People are funny. At times we look back with nostalgia upon the early 30's, when we had scarcely anything to worry about except where the next meal was coming from.

Manville.

OLD-TIMER.

### UNREASONABLE QUESTION

Dear Sir—Applicants for the old age pension will be disturbed by two questions, one of which asks their residence for the past 2 years, and the other requiring residence of the previous period of the lives, and the next question asks a confirmation from persons who are familiar with the facts of the two previous questions.

These questions are absurd, particularly the one asking for confirmation of evidence regarding the pension applicant's previous residence. Who would be familiar with all the previous addresses of a man 70 years old?

Perhaps these questions are calculated to create obstacles to the realization of the pension.

GRAND-DAD.

Innisfree.

### LIQUOR TO MINORS

Dear Sir—They are getting after the dope peddlers, so why not go after those who sell liquor to teen-agers?

I am a widow with a teen-age son. He can go into most beer parlors without any questions being asked . . . and I think he's even got a liquor permit.

It's about time that something should be done about teen-age drinking.

Seba Beach.

M.W.





BEHIND THE SCENES at Alberta fall fairs, where potential prize-winners reign supreme for the day. As the stock, groomed and fed, await the call to judging ring, mere man has time for a hurried meal. Fall agricultural fairs are already underway in many Alberta centres.

## Alberta Man Sees Sister, 73, For First Time in Life

CALGARY, Alta.—(BUP)—Mrs. Annie Braithwaite, of Spanish Port, Utah, saw her brother recently for the first time.

Mrs. Braithwaite is 73, her brother, Henry Hansen, 60. "People find it hard to believe when I tell them," Hansen said, "and I guess I can't blame them. "But when Annie drove up to our house the other day it was the first time in my life I had seen her and the first time she had ever seen me."

A long story lay behind the unusual separation of the family. Mrs. Braithwaite moved from Nebraska to Utah with her pioneering Danish grandparents before her brother was born. She married in the western state and stayed there while the

rest of her family and her grandparents, who tired of Utah, moved to Alberta.

Her parents homesteaded at Blackfalds, Alta., in 1900.

"I was just a youngster of nine then," Hansen said "and I had never seen Annie. Somehow, we were never able to go to Utah to see her. Nor was she able to come to Alberta to see us."

He said that he thought his sister would be back for another visit now that the ice was finally broken. "It's kind of nice meeting relatives you've never even seen," Hansen grinned.

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## Beaver Trapping Program Here Pays Off; Alta. Farmers Will Net \$370,000 This Year

### RAT INVASION FOUGHT HERE

Residents along 250 miles of the Alberta border are preparing war on those rats from Saskatchewan.

Rats have been reported pouring into rodent-free Alberta between the border towns of Alaska and Empress. The provincial agriculture department announced Thursday a campaign from the United States border to Provost—some 250 miles—to keep the pests out.

William Lobay, department supervisor of pest control, is in charge. He said the first step will be meetings to organize volunteers and demonstrate control measures.

Mr. Lobay said the attack will try to prevent the rats from establishing winter colonies in Alberta. At present the rats are foraging in fields.

### Bears With White Spots Roam Park

Federal travel bureau officials say that bears with white spots on their sterns are roaming Alberta's Waterton Lakes National Park.

However, they are not a new breed of bear. The white spot is ordinary paint.

Officials say the bears are marked before being transported from the park townsite to more remote sections of the 204-square mile park. If they return to the townsite area in search of tidbits, they can easily be identified.

"It's just a method of keeping track of movements of animals in the park," officials said.

Many busy little beavers are putting themselves out of business in Alberta by providing a new prop to the economy of the province's hard-working farmers.

Government authorities said that a year-old provincial beaver trapping program would put an estimated \$370,000 into the pockets of some 498 farmers this year. The estimated catch was 18,450 beaver, about three times the number taken last year by registered trappers.

### PELTS WORTH \$35

The first year, 1950, saw 472 permits issued with 2,073 beaver taken by the farmers from their land. The best pelts bring up to \$35.

Ten years ago beaver were found only in isolated parts of Alberta. Strict controls were introduced to halt poaching, and a closed season was enforced on all trappers.

Slowly, the beaver population began to increase and move into settlers' areas.

The next thing the government knew it was being swamped with farmers' complaints about how the beaver dams were flooding their hay meadows, crops, roads and bridges.

One beaver caused more than \$10,000 damage when it burrowed through the main irrigation ditch in the Lethbridge district.

Beaver can be live trapped during the early spring, but most are taken between Aug. 1 and

Sept. 15 when the cubs are old enough to travel.

The government is making sure the beaver population doesn't get sadly depleted again. Inspectors determine exactly how many beaver a farmer can take from his property.

The stronger sex is usually the weaker sex because of the strength the weaker sex has over the stronger sex; or is it because of the weakness of the stronger sex for the weaker sex?

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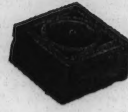
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TRAPPED by raging forest fire, Arthur Marsh, left, and Eric McCuaig tell their wives how they fought way to safety to their Willowdale, Ont., homes.

Caught in the path of a fire, the two men, surveyors for the Ontario department of highways, spent a night in a small lake to avoid being burned.

## Prudham Asked to Call Discussion on Defence Roads

New developments in northern defence planning are expected following the meeting of the joint defence board of Canada and the United States here.

Scheduled for the near future is a civilian defence meeting to discuss the condition of highways in northern Alberta in the light of defence requirements.

Mayor Sidney Parsons has asked Hon. George Prudham, Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys, to call a meeting of district MPs to discuss "the necessity for adequate defence highways" in northern Alberta.

Eleven military and government officials gathered here this week at the joint defence board meeting.

Headed by Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, unspecified military matters were discussed at the meeting. Several field trips were made by the group, and Gen. McNaughton said that the board is "actively concerned" with the northern radar network.

The joint board, established in 1940, last met in Edmonton in 1949.

Commenting on road conditions as a matter vital in defence, Mayor Parsons said recently that "if Edmonton ever becomes a combat area highways will be needed to move civilians out and bring the army in."

Mr. Parsons called for the meeting of district MPs following a gathering of the Trans-Canada Highway Association, Yellowhead route.

Present at the meeting was A. Fred Macdonald, MP for Edmonton East.

Following any meeting of MPs called by Mr. Prudham another meeting of the highway association will be held, Mr. Parsons said.

The joint defence board spent three days here and then moved on to "other places."

Gen. McNaughton asked reporters not to "cross-examine" him about places to be visited during the board's five-day north-west tour because the answers might give "comfort to the enemy."

"The board has always gone to the locale to be discussed," Gen. McNaughton said.

## U.K. Air Secretary To Visit Canada

OTTAWA.—The Right Honourable Arthur Henderson, British Secretary of State for Air, is to arrive in Canada August 23 for a one-week visit to Canada. It was announced today by Defence Minister Brooke Claxton.

Mr. Henderson's itinerary includes visits to Air Force stations in the Maritimes, Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba, including several points where R.A.F. cadets are undergoing aircrew training with the R.C.A.F. He will also visit two Regular Force fighter squadrons scheduled to form part of the R.C.A.F. Wing to be formed in the United Kingdom. There are 410 Squadron, slated to leave for the U.K. this autumn, and 441 Squadron, scheduled to leave Canada early next year.

## TOP CLIP JOINT PRIDES ITSELF

REGINA.—(BUP)—There's one place in Regina that prides itself no matter what its slogan may indicate.

A sign outside a barber-shop here reads: "This is the best clip joint in town."

## ST. LAURENT WON'T QUIT

OTTAWA.—(BUP)—Reports that Prime Minister St. Laurent might retire on his 70th birthday next February 1 are just rumors, according to informed sources here.

The Prime Minister's associates said this week that he isn't thinking of retiring or announcing any plans of retirement.

It was reported last week that Mr. St. Laurent would be happy to retire and that members of his family are trying to persuade him to resign the prime ministership and the leadership of the Liberal Party.

The report said that pressure has come, however, from some groups of the Liberal leadership for him to stay in office until after another general election, possibly in 1953.

Retirement of Mr. St. Laurent would ignite an explosive contest for the Liberal leadership, one in which it would be much harder to call the winner than in the last one.

It would be difficult to predict whom a convention might choose from among candidates such as Finance Minister Douglas Abbott, External Affairs Minister Lester Pearson, National Health Minister Paul Martin, and Citizenship Minister Walter Harris.

## Hotelman Dies As Guest Is Stabbed

VANCOUVER, B.C.—(BUP)—City police today discounted the possibility of murder in the mysterious death of a hotelman and the wounding of a guest in Vancouver over the week-end.

Stav Yuskow, 47-year-old owner of the Morgan Hotel, died in hospital after he was found in a pool of blood on a stair landing at his hotel.

Recovering in hospital from stab wounds of the neck was Nick Nasichuk, 50-year-old hotel resident.

A spokesman for the criminal investigation bureau said today "It appears Yuskow received fatal injuries in a fall and was not murdered but that will be for the coroner to decide."

Police said Nasichuk had been robbed of \$15 in cash at the hotel and apparently was stabbed during the robbery.

## Missionaries Get Heckling in Quebec

ROUYN, Que.—(BUP)—One Baptist missionary was punched in the nose and others heckled continually in a little Quebec town last night. At first the crowds of 200—in the town of Lassare, Quebec, some 30 miles north of Rouyn listened attentively but some grew noisy. Those standing around heckled the eight Baptists while others in ear honk d their horns continually. However, the Baptists felt that was not too bad as a week ago when police tried to break up the meeting and several of the missionaries were b at up.

## Vancouver Papers Protest News Ban

VANCOUVER, B.C.—(BUP)—Three Vancouver newspapers have made strong representations to the police commission, protesting the recent suppression of news by the police department.

The papers are challenging the police ruling that reporters are to be denied access to books detailing information on persons

## Duck Banding Used To Study Bird Migrations

REGINA, Sask.—(BUP)—There's a lot of leg-pulling going on throughout the prairies these days, but there's nothing funny about it. It's serious business both for the men doing it and for the thousands of ducks that are having their legs pulled—and banded.

The purpose of banding is to find out what happens to the ducks after they leave their nesting grounds.

Years of this work have brought out the fact that most ducks keep pretty well to their own stamping grounds. A duck, hatched on the prairies, usually flies straight south in the fall, either to the Mississippi or the Central flyway. In the east, ducks migrate in the Atlantic flyway and in the west they travel the Pacific migration route.

But all birds don't fit into the scheme. Some birds which belong to the Atlantic flyway sidestep a few thousand miles and end up in the Pacific route. Other birds reverse this procedure.

Another discovery of duck banding is that the birds wouldn't be much of an insurance risk. Their life expectancy is often measured in months. Many birds hatched this spring will fall before hunters' guns this fall.

About 10 per cent of the bands now being placed on ducks' legs will be returned before the end of the year — and a great many more bands should be returned, but won't because of hunters' ignorance or indifference.

At Big Muddy Lake in Saskatchewan more than 2,000 ducks — charged with crimes. In addition, reporters are denied access to general office reports, from which many minor items of human interest were previously written.



ANN MILLER has the oars ready; but we don't see any oars on the beach. Ann's twinkling toes go in a new Hollywood musical, "Texas Carnival."

have been banded already this summer. Workers represent the federal Parks Branch, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Saskatchewan Resources Department, as well as private organizations interested in conserving the bird population.

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DESPITE Korean peace talks, the HMCS Athabaskan has sailed from the west coast heading for the Far East for a second time. Among the first three ships to join the UN forces, she will join the destroyers Cayuga and Sioux at present on duty there. Most of the crew—some of which are shown above—are veterans of the first trip to the battle area.

## Union Membership Here Is Equal to National Ratio

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Hundreds of young people who are entering industrial life for the first time are being assisted in finding jobs most suited to their abilities.

And handicapped persons, ex-prison inmates, and others are being assisted by the service. "It's not just a matter of finding a person a job," says J. I. Grodeland, director of the Special Placement department.

"It's more a matter of finding what job a person is most suited to, and then locating employment where he can take advantage of his abilities."

Many hours are spent in interviews with applicants to determine their capacities.

"We're particularly interested in placing young people in positions that have a future," Mr. Grodeland said.

"Unfortunately, few school graduates have any idea of their employment capabilities, or of the opportunities in the various fields they may be interested in," he added.

Often a period of apprenticeship is needed before young people are ready to take jobs in the work of their choice.

The placement service works in close cooperation with welfare associations which are often called upon to provide special assistance while job opportunities are being explored.

Therefore, placement in a job is not always the immediate objective, as this may be preceded by further education or vocational training.

The service has been very successful in locating jobs for physically handicapped persons.

Jobs must be found for the handicapped where they can perform as effectively as if they had no handicap.

Thus, every effort is made to capitalize on what a person has left to make up for what he has lost.

"There's something every handicapped person can master," Mr. Grodeland said.

Success in placing the handicapped always depends on co-operation from employers, in offering positions to fit people with handicap.

Last year jobs were found for over 500 handicapped persons, and it is expected more will be found this year.

The service also places around

an average of 150 young people a month in their first jobs.

Total placements by the National Employment Service here totalled 30,000 in 1950, and will exceed that figure this year.

In addition, the placement service finds jobs for ex-prison inmates, and has so far met with great success in this field.

## Weekly Newsmen Name New Officers

WINNIPEG—(BUP)—New officers to serve the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association during the next year were elected at the group's convention here.

A. W. Hanks, of the St. James Leader, Winnipeg, was elected president. He succeeds Lang Sands of the Fraser Valley Record, Mission City, B.C.

Other officers elected include: First vice-president, Robert Moore, the Sun, Swift Current, Sask.; second vice-president, W. K. Walls, the Examiner, Barrie, Ont.; managing director, W. E. McCartney, Brampton, Ont.

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### Take Me

One of John's best friends had died, so he called on the widow to express his sympathy.  
"Jim and I were friends," he said. "Isn't there something I could have as a memento of him?" She raised her velvet brows, eyes, which a few seconds before had been wet with tears. "How would I do?" she asked.

### Unremitting Kindness

The son in college was applying pressure for more money from home. "I cannot understand why you call yourself a kind father," he wrote dad, "when you haven't sent me a cheque for three weeks." What kind of kindness do you call that?  
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"The proud owner grinned sheepishly, and rejoined: "Heck, it's mutual—it keeps me clean, too."

### Silly Man

The woman motorist was trying to navigate a traffic jam. She rammed the car in front of her, then tried to back and knocked down a pedestrian. Then she smacked into hydrant. A policeman came up.

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But what is life for if I work from morning until night and then fill up my evenings with cleaning and canning and sewing? Don't you think this thing of saving every penny can be carried too far?

### TIERED WIFE.

Answer: All work and no play makes Jack not only a dull boy but shortens his life.

No one appreciates the need of laying up something for a rainy day more than I do but there are some people who get in the habit of pinching pennies when it is necessary and, when easier times arrive, they keep on doing so. It actually becomes a disease with them and they put enlarging that bank account ahead of everything else in the world.

Their wives and families have to do without help, recreation and fun until they get too old and worn out to enjoy a good time or a nice trip.

They die and their heirs usually spend what they have accumulated with abandon.

Why cannot men and women strike a happy medium when it comes to work and play? Put aside something for your old age but have some pleasure as you go through life.

In your case, you should certainly have some help at home if you are working outside.

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Christensen, 11841 101 St., and Arthur Hall, 22, of 10275 80 Ave. In hospital is Jean Barry, 34, of 10114 125 St.

Young Christensen died from injuries received when his bicycle crashed into a pile of rocks at the bottom of a ravine. A friend, Peter Demchuk, escaped injury when he swerved and missed the rock pile.

Hall was killed when his motorcycle struck the abutment of the Low Level bridge on the north side of the river. He was accompanied by 19-year-old Andrew Dunn, of 9316 120 Ave., who was not injured. Police said the motorcycle had been stolen, and Dunn was arrested on a theft charge.

Miss Barry was injured when struck by a hit-and-run driver on 102 Ave. at 125 St. She received a broken leg and other injuries.

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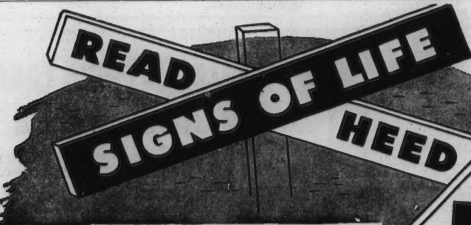
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